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1. (S) SUMMARY. CLEAR DIFFERENCES HAVE EMERGED
IN HOW THE GOP VIEWS AND APPROACHES ITS
CRACKDOWN AGAINST TERRORISTS AND RELIGIOUS
EXTREMISTS. GOP COOPERATION WITH THE USG TO
LOCATE AND ARREST AL-QAIDA/TALIBAN ESCAPEES
REMAINS SOLID. THE PURSUIT OF SECTARIAN

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TERRORISTS APPEARS SERIOUS BUT IS HAMPERED BY
WOEFUL GOP LAW ENFORCEMENT CAPABILITIES.
REGARDING THE JIHADIS, THERE IS STRONG EVIDENCE
JIHADI GROUPS ARE STAGING A COMEBACK. ONCE
AGAIN, KASHMIR SEEMS TO BE THE HEART OF THE
PROBLEM, [REDACTED]

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ALSO TURNING TO STRAIGHTFORWARD CRIMINAL
ACTIVITIES LIKE EXTORTION.

12. (C) AS A MINORITY AND A DISPROPORTIONATE
VICTIM OF SECTARIAN VIOLENCE, SHIITES WELCOMED
MUSHARRAF'S CRACKDOWN. HOWEVER, A SHIA LEADER
IN MULTAN TOLD CONSULATE LAHORE THAT MANY SHIA
HAVE STOPPED SUPPORTING MUSHARRAF BECAUSE THE
CONTINUING VIOLENCE RAISES DOUBTS ABOUT THE
SINCERITY OF HIS COMMITMENT. IN PROTEST, HE AND
HIS FOLLOWERS REFUSED TO VOTE IN THE
PRESIDENTIAL REFERENDUM.

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21. (SBU) SINCE EARLY APRIL, SAEED HAS RESUMED HIS VOCIFEROUS DEFENSE OF JIHAD AS INDISPENSABLE TO MUSLIMS AND THE KASHMIR MOVEMENT. IGNORING THE CRACKDOWN'S BAN ON POLITICAL SERMONS IN MOSQUES, HE TOLD WORSHIPPERS IN BHAWALPUR THAT JIHAD COULD NOT BE STOPPED BECAUSE IT REPRESENTS THE ORDER OF THE PROPHET. AFTER SAEED, ABDUR REHMAN MAKKI, SAEED'S COUSIN, THE FORMER LT NUMBER TWO, AND NOW "ANOTHER CENTRAL LEADER" OF JUD, ALSO ADDRESSED THE WORSHIPPERS. IN KARACHI, SAEED TOLD RELIGIOUS SCHOLARS THAT JUD "WOULD DO WHATEVER IT COULD TO HELP THE KASHMIRI

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MUJAHIDIN." GROWING EXTERNAL (READ USG)
INTERFERENCE IN PAKISTAN, HE WARNED, HAD
UNDERMINED "PAKISTAN'S HONOR."

22. (SBU) AFTER THE JANUARY 12 SPEECH, THE MUTED VOICE OF THE UNITED JIHAD COUNCIL (UJC), AN UMBRELLA FORUM OF KASHMIR MILITANT GROUPS, WAS SEEN AS A REFLECTION OF THE GOP'S NEW KASHMIR POLICY. UJC EVEN EXPELLED FROM ITS RANKS JEM AND LT AS BANNED GROUPS. THAT DORMANCY HAS ENDED. ON APRIL 24, A UJC SPOKESMAN REGRETTED THE STATEMENTS OF SOME APHC MEMBERS THAT JIHAD IN KASHMIR IS COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE, AND STRESSED THAT ARMED STRUGGLE IS ESSENTIAL TO DRIVING INDIA OUT OF KASHMIR AND TO THE NEGOTIATING TABLE. ON APRIL 28, HM COMMANDER AND UJC CHAIRMAN SALLAHUDIN BROKE HIS LONG PUBLIC SILENCE BY STATING THAT JIHAD IS NECESSARY TO RESOLVE THE KASHMIR PROBLEM. SEVERAL AZAD KASHMIRI POLITICIANS AND LOCAL LEADERS OF JAMAAT ISLAMI AND OTHER ISLAMIST PARTIES HAVE ALSO RESUMED PROMOTING JIHAD TO RESOLVE KASHMIR.

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